



# Newsleak

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## South Carolina Water Systems Receive Recognition for CCRs

The Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) Rule requires community water systems to provide annual reports to customers on the quality of their drinking water. The reports tell customers where their drinking water comes from, what is in it, and how they can protect it. Each year, EPA Region IV presents CCR awards to water systems that have produced an outstanding report. Nominations are submitted through DHEC's Bureau of Water.

The criteria for the awards include: listing the source of drinking water (surface water, ground water, or a combination); the system's susceptibility to contamination based on a completed Source Water Assessment (SWA) and information on how to obtain a copy of the SWA; a list of likely sources and potential health effects of detected contaminants; compliance with state and federal standards; water utility phone number and meeting dates; the Safe

Drinking Water Act Hotline number; a table with appropriate conversions and explanations for detected contaminants. Extra points are given for community outreach and education activities.

For the year 2003, the *Town of Turbeville*, *Belton-Honea Path*, *City of Landrum*, *City of Hartsville* and *Beaufort-Jasper Water Authority* all represented South Carolina in the competition. Three South Carolina systems won in their respective categories and are listed below with other states' winners.

We encourage all our water systems to compete for the 2004 award. The Department will assist any water system that would like to apply. For more information, contact Frank Dukes at (803) 898-3988.

### EPA Region IV Winners

Small Ground Water:  
*Pineview Water System, GA*

Small Surface Water:  
*Belton-Honea Path, SC*

Medium Surface Water:  
*City of Landrum, SC*

Medium Ground Water:  
*Elgin Air Force Base, FL*

Large Surface Water:  
*Beaufort-Jasper Water Authority, SC*

Large Ground Water:  
*City of Eufula, AL*



*Beaufort-Jasper's Dean Moss (left) and Jerrie Legare (right) accept their water system's CCR award from EPA's Jennifer Gardner (middle).*

## 2005 CCR Reporting Deadlines

**April 1** (or other date mutually agreed upon): Wholesalers report source water information to retailers.

**July 1:** Final reports (not drafts) are due at the Bureau of Water and to customers.

**October 1** (or 90 days after distributing the final report, whichever is first): CCR Certification is due at the Bureau of Water.

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